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Serial No.: 10/783,614 )  
U.S. Patent No. 7,194,783 )  
Filed: February 20, 2004 )  
Examiner: Theresa T. Snider )  
Art Unit: 1744 )  
For: WINDOW BLIND CLEANING )  
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Dear Sir:

The attached Transaction History, Exhibit 1, in this application now U.S. Patent No. 7,194,783, shows that:

A. The issue fee in this application was paid on January 25, 2007, and again on March 23, 2007.

B. The inventor, Gene C. Hunt, paid the issue fee in this patent application with his personal check (the first payment),

which was received by the USPTO on January 25, 2007, as shown in the attached Exhibit 2.

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D. The Transaction History (Exhibit 1) shows that this second Cook Alex payment was received by the USPTO on March 23, 2007.

E. A cancelled copy of the Cook Alex check number 26058 (the second payment) is attached as Exhibit 4.

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If any questions remain, please call the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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12-20-2006	Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL - 413)
12-04-2006	Date Forwarded to Examiner
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10-03-2006	Mail Non-Final Rejection
09-29-2006	Non-Final Rejection
05-17-2004	Information Disclosure Statement considered
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07-06-2004	IFW TSS Processing by Tech Center Complete
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06-15-2004	Case Docketed to Examiner In GAU
05-14-2004	Application Return from OIPE
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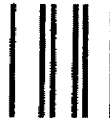
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10/783,614	02/20/2004	Gene C. Hunt	1417-0001	7219

TITLE OF INVENTION: WINDOW BLIND CLEANING APPARATUS

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